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KENNEDY'S CREEK CULLINGS.

Doings in That Romantic Region of Mason County's Picturesque Domain.

The Maysville Brick Company is adding a new office to its plant, which is far superior to the old one and a much needed affair.

The L. and M. road held its last business meeting Saturday to wind up the business of the road which was made free last week.

The most perplexing question to answer just now will be awarded the different contracts for repairs on the L. and M. road. Let her drop.

Very little corn planted the past week on account of the late rains. One-half of the crop is not planted yet, something unusual for this late in the season.

Brother Hoffman, how he is smiling! We had all the seeing power that was necessary with a telescope the size of A. R. G., if it was not hung on a pivot. I suppose we could have got a Lick telescope, but there was no fragments to gather up. We had been looking for some time for the cyclone to strike us, and it did come, but we are willing to make the sacrifice for the benefit of the traveling public.

COTTAGEVILLE CULLINGS.

Notations From Our Faithful Newspaper in That Fruitful Field.

We are having fine weather. Corn planting is backward in this locality.

Mrs. Herbert was shopping in Manchester Monday last.

F. P. Tully and family were the guests of relatives here on Sunday last.

William Cretcher of Springdale is spending this week with friends here.

Mrs. Dr. Winder and Mrs. E. C. Henderson were shopping in Maysville Thursday last.

Edward Boggs, who has been quite ill for some time, is thought to be slowly improving.

Mr. and Mrs. F. M. Clark, Mrs. J. W. Tully and Arthur Tolle were in Manchester last week.

The Ladies' Aid Society met with Miss Lizzie McCarahan Thursday last. The guests were served with a most delicious luncheon.

T. J. Tully, Jr., and Miss Lucy Latham surprised their many friends by slipping down to Springdale where they were happily married by Elder T. P. Degman at his residence Tuesday night. They were accompanied by Arthur Tolle and Miss Lizzie McCarahan.

The Best Remedy For Rheumatism.

From the Fairhaven (N. Y.) Register.

Mr. James Rowland of this village states that for twenty five years his wife has been a sufferer from rheumatism. A few nights ago she was in such pain that she was nearly crazy. She sent Mr. Rowland for the doctor, but he had read of Chamberlain's Pain Balm and instead of going for the physician he went to the store and secured a bottle of it. His wife did not approve of Mr. Rowland's purchase at first, but nevertheless applied the Balm thoroughly and in an hour's time was able to go to sleep. She now applies it whenever she feels an ache or a pain and finds that it always gives relief. He says that no medicine which she had used ever did her as much good. The 25 and 50 cent sizes for sale by J. Jas. Wood, Druggist.

LITTLE LABOR SAVING WAYS.

Suggestions for Women Who Do Their Own Work.

Philadelphia Ledger.

There are many overburdened housekeepers whose duties keep them busy from early morn until late at night. They are ambitious to have their rooms tidy in appearance, their tables supplied with dainty dishes and their children nicely dressed when they go to church or school, and, while these things are desirable, too many by far are sacrificing health and strength and the best years of their womanhood to accomplish the work which seems necessary. It does not pay! That day is lost in which you have had no enjoyment, and we are defrauding our children when we overwork ourselves so much that we cannot listen to their stories, sympathize with their sorrows or rejoice over their successes. The dollars we save by this method will never pay us for all we lose.

These housekeepers should find the easiest way of doing things, and avail themselves of all the labor-saving inventions within reach. Many make work harder than it need be, because they do not think of plans for saving steps—"making our heads save our heels," as a woman once expressed it.

When there is a dining room separated from the kitchen, have a large dishpan or tray to carry dishes back and forth. When it is necessary to bring vegetables, fruit, etc., from the cellar, take a basket, and you can usually carry everything needed for a meal at one trip, instead of making two or three.

Oil cloth is cheap, and its uses are many. Shelves and tables covered with it are easily kept clean. A piece of floor oil cloth placed under the sewing machine will keep the little scraps and threads from the carpet, saving a great deal of hard sweeping. The same material should be placed under the dining-room table, and in front of the cupboards. If you can not afford to use oil cloth for the kitchen floor painting it will save a great deal of hard work when it is necessary to mop it.

A woman can do the work, and the mixed paint, which can be obtained in any color, will not cost more than a dollar for two coats. The amount of paint required will depend upon the size of the room and the condition of the floor. A new floor will not require half as much paint as one that has been used until it is rough. Then if a coat of paint is applied every spring your floor will always be in excellent condition, and can be cleaned with a cloth and warm soap-suds in a few minutes.

Have your kitchen table covered with zinc. It may seem expensive to begin with, but it will last a lifetime and meat and vegetables can be cut upon it without injuring or defacing it in any way. A strip of oil cloth put up on the wall back of the table will keep it from being soiled.

In farmhouses a kitchen sink, with a pump at one end which draws water from a cistern, and a pipe which leads the water off outside, is a convenience that must be used to be appreciated. A shelf may be put in under the sink to hold the kettles, skillets and lake pans, and a row of hooks placed above it to hang up large spoons, ladles, etc.

Have you ever put up a clothes line in the attic? It is very convenient when the rain and mud make wash day disagreeable.

A small tablet and a lead pencil hung in some convenient place in the kitchen or dining-room is a great help to one who finds it difficult to remember all the little articles that are needed when she goes shopping. She can write down the items as they occur to her, and her list is then ready when it is wanted, and things are not likely to be forgotten.

Among the small labor-saving inventions which are really valuable and should find a place in every household is a carpet-stretcher. It will cost thirty or forty cents and saves a vast amount of strength and backache every housecleaning time. Then the carpet will be stretched so much better than it is possible to do it without one.

Gasoline and oil stoves lighten work wonderfully in the summer. With the many excellent washing machines and wringers now in the market, washing is robbed of much of its hard, disagreeable work. In fact, the list of contrivances for making housework easier could be lengthened indefinitely.

The Westfield (Ind.) News prints the following in regard to an old resident of that place: "Frank McAvoy, for many years in the employ of the L. N. A. and C. Ry. here says: 'I have used Chamberlain's Colic, Cholera and Diarrhoea Remedy for ten years or longer—am never without it in my family. I consider it the best remedy of the kind manufactured. I take pleasure in recommending it.' It is a specific for all bowel disorders. For sale by J. Jas. Wood, Druggist.

Just received, a beautiful line of Sailors at Mrs. L. V. Davis's.

Taylor Bros. at Washington are still selling 23 pounds standard granulated sugar for \$1, and 8 pounds Arbuckle's Coffee for \$1.

"It is the Best on Earth."

That is what Edwards & Parker, merchants of Plains, Ga., say of Chamberlain's Pain Balm, for rheumatism, lame back, deep seated and muscular pains. Sold by J. Jas. Wood, Druggist.

American Merchant Marine.

The American Protective Tariff League has just issued, in document form, the speech of Senator Elkins of West Virginia on the subject of the American Merchant Marine and Discriminating Duties. This complete presentation of the benefits of discriminating duties as pledged by the Republican platform should be read by every voter. Any of our readers can obtain a copy for two cents. Ask for Document No. 44, and address W. F. Wakeman, General Secretary, 135 West Twenty third street, New York.

PRIVATE POSTAL CARDS.

After the First of Next Month Every Fellow May Make His Own.

On the first day of June, the bill permitting the printing and use of private mailing cards with one-cent stamp affixed will go into effect.

The bill is approved by the Postoffice Department, as it tends to popularize postal cards, besides effecting a saving to the Government of the difference between the cost of the cards and the stamps.

The operation of this law will be of material benefit to the job printing interests of the country.

FUSION TICKET.

The Populists and the Silverites of Lewis County Join Hands.

The Silverite and Populist parties met in convention at Vanceburg Saturday, made a fusion ticket and nominated the following persons:

For Representative—Robert M. Bruce. County Judge—James R. Pugh, Sr. County Attorney—John H. McElhenny. County Superintendent—James W. Rugless. County Assessor—L. C. Harrison. Sheriff—James L. Charwick. Jailor—Thomas D. Putnam. Coroner—Dr. A. F. Durst. Surveyor—Erastus Heath.

The convention was large and enthusiastic, and the ticket is regarded as a strong one.

FOOLISH LAWSUITS.

Where Stubborn Clients Lose Many Times the Amount Involved.

Detroit Free Press.

"Many foolish cases are brought into the courts," observed an old lawyer. "My advice to my clients has always been to keep out of the courts. I remember a case in which one neighbor was involved in a distressing controversy with another. The neighbor who was sued for damages had built a house on a corner lot and when the house was erected the other neighbor discovered that it had encroached upon about three inches of his land. They had some words and the man who had built the house hired me to defend him in the suit brought by the other man. Well, after much trouble, I brought them together and tried to procure a settlement out of court. They argued with and abused each other and would come to no agreement. The land was worth \$50 a foot; three inches were therefore worth about \$1250.

"I told my client he had better settle. No; he was right; he wouldn't. So the case was dragged along in one court and then another for over a year. When finally my client lost the case had cost him about twenty times the amount of money involved and much mental worry, caused by hard feelings. It was Tolstoi's story of the two neighbors who had a falling out over nothing all over again. They lived thereafter in constant enmity, never speaking to each other, while their children were reared to foster this feeling. One felt that he had been robbed and the other felt that it had cost him a great deal of money to get what was his. It was as near a feud as might well exist in a civilized city, only instead of dagger thrusts of a genuine, bona-fide vendetta, there were the more dangerous weapons, venomous tongues which gave utterance constantly to coarseness, slanders and backbiting.

"Thereafter each was jealous of the others property or rejoiced when adversity sought his rival's family. The innocent as well as the guilty and obstinate contestants suffered, and it was altogether a detestable piece of business. So I am in favor of settlement out of court, just as I believe in arbitration to settle the troubles between Nations. One is as essential to the happiness of the domestic circles as the other is to the well being of the Government."

Death of Samuel Garrett.

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KENTUCKY NEWS.

The Latest News From All Parts of the Commonwealth.

BROKEN ENGAGEMENT.

Causes Preston Thornton to Make an Attempt on His Life.

LOUISVILLE, Ky., May 17.—Preston Thornton, a member of one of the most prominent families in the state and the south, lies at the home of Milton H. Smith, president of the Louisville and Nashville railroad, on Fourth avenue, this city, suffering from a self-inflicted and possibly mortal bullet wound in the chest. That he made an attempt upon his life Sunday afternoon in the parlor of the Smith mansion is about all the information obtainable as to the circumstances surrounding the affair because of extreme reticence of all in any way connected with young Thornton or the Smith family. Soon after the shooting a special train was hurriedly sent to Lexington to bring the family of the wounded man to his bedside. His father is Col. H. H. Thornton, of Lexington. His grandfather was the late Gen. Wm. Preston, of this state and the wife of Gen. William Draper, of Massachusetts, U. S. ambassador to Rome, is his aunt. The family is well known throughout the country. Preston Thornton is about 21 years of age.

late Sunday night a statement was given out by a friend of the Smith family, the substance of which is as follows: Mr. Thornton has been for some time engaged to be married to Miss Nettie Bell Smith, daughter of Mr. Milton H. Smith. Recently the engagement was broken off. Sunday Mr. Thornton called at the residence of Mr. Smith and after a few moments conversation in a fit of desperation pulled a pistol from his pocket and shot himself. The ball entered the body near the heart and the wound is probably fatal. Mrs. Roberts and Cartledge are in attendance. Mr. and Mrs. Thornton reached here Sunday from their home in Lexington to be with their son.

Mr. Thornton has been in the service of the Louisville & Nashville railroad for the past four or five years. He is a young man of fine personal appearance and bearing. A future of great usefulness seemed to be assured him. The attending physicians announced that he would hardly survive the night.

EX-POSTMASTER HETSCH.

Of Newport, Ky., Pleads Guilty to Embezzlement, and Receives a Suspended Sentence.

NEWPORT, Ky., May 17.—Ex-Postmaster Justus Hetsch, who was indicted for embezzling funds while in charge of the Newport post office, pleaded guilty Saturday in the United States court, Covington, Judge Barr presiding.

The second count of the indictment, charging Hetsch with having misappropriated on April 1, 1897, funds belonging to the government in the sum of \$3,003.03, was the one pleaded to. United States District Attorney Smith, in behalf of Hetsch, informed Judge Barr that he had agreed to a suspension or sentence in Hetsch's case.

This was to allow an appeal to be made for clemency to the president. Judge Barr said that in view of the agreement he would suspend sentence until the first day of the December term of court. He added, however, that it would be the last time such a procedure would be allowed, saying that he would thereafter sentence at once those pleading guilty.

Hetsch's bond was fixed at \$10,000, and was signed by his brother, John Hetsch, and cousin, Daniel Hetsch, after which he was allowed to go.

HART'S STATUE.

"Woman Triumphant," Destroyed by Fire, a Great Loss to Kentucky.

LEXINGTON, Ky., May 17.—The loss of the famous piece of sculpture, known as "Woman Triumphant," in the courthouse fire here Friday, has cast a gloom over the entire blue grass region, which will be shared by the lovers of the beautiful in art all over the United States. It was the masterpiece of that famous Kentucky sculptor, Joel T. Hart, who was born in Clark county in 1810, and died in Florence, Italy, in 1877. The art correspondent of the London Athenaeum once said that it was the finest work in existence. Hart was offered \$20,000 for the piece before it was finished. It was sold after his death and became the property of the Tiffany's, New York, who in turn disposed of it to the ladies of the Hart Memorial association, of Lexington, of which Mrs. Wm. C. P. Breckinridge, now dead, was the president.

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Better Times at Bardwell.

BARDWELL, Ky., May 17.—This place is rejoicing because of the arrival of a large force sent here by the Illinois Central Railroad Co. to begin an extensive job of grading, which will require several months' work.

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Nashville, Tenn., and Return \$8 via C. and O. Railroad.
On account of the Tennessee Centennial and International Exposition, Nashville, Tenn., May 1st to October 31st, the C. and O. will sell round-trip tickets Maysville to Nashville at the following rates: 7-day tickets \$8; 15-day tickets \$11; season tickets \$15. Tickets on sale April 23rd and continuing during the Centennial.

Tennessee Centennial.
On above account the L. and N. Railroad will sell round-trip tickets to Nashville as follows: April 23rd to October 15th \$15; April 23rd to October 30th, \$11, limited fifteen days from date of sale, and at \$8, limited to seven days from date of sale. Final limit on all November 7th, 1897.

Louisville Races.
On above account the L. and N. Railroad will sell round-trip tickets to Louisville May 11th to 25th at \$7. Return limit May 20th. For Derby Day on morning train of 12th at \$5. Return limit May 14th. For the Futurity on morning train of 15th, good return on 17th, at \$5. These rates include admission to Races.

Mountain Resorts of Colorado.
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Y. P. S. C. E. Convention, San Francisco, July 7th-14th.
The great Christian Endeavor Convention, which is to be held in San Francisco July 7th to 14th next, is creating considerable interest throughout the country, and now that the question of rates and arrangements have been finally settled, applications are being made as to the best route to the Golden Gate. The superior facilities of the Missouri Pacific Railway, "the California Short Line," is conceded by all and recognized by tourists as the most desirable route to California during the summer months. Via this route stopovers will be allowed in Colorado and points beyond, thus affording an opportunity to enjoy a short vacation among the Rocky Mountains. Tickets on sale June 23rd to July 3d, inclusive. For rates and full particulars address N. R. Warwick, Agent, 317 Vine street, Cincinnati, O.

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